

**San Mateo County Transit District (District)  
1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, California**

**Minutes of Legislative Committee /  
Committee of the Whole**

**August 2, 2023**

Committee Members Present: R. Medina

Committee Members Absent: R. Mueller (Chair)

Other Board Members Present Constituting Committee of the Whole: D. Canepa, M. Chuang, M. Fraser, J. Gee, J. Powell, P. Ratto

Other Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: A. Chan, D. Olmeda, S. van Hoften, J. Cassman, J. Brook, D. Seamans

**8.d.1. Call to Order**

Committee Member Rico Medina called the meeting to order at 3:06 pm.

**8.d.2. Approval of Minutes of the Legislative Committee Meeting of July 12, 2023**

Motion/Second: Canepa/Powell

Ayes: Canepa, Chuang, Fraser, Gee, Medina, Powell, Ratto

Noes: None

Absent: Mueller

**8.d.3. State and Federal Legislative Update**

Jessica Epstein, Manager, Government and Community Affairs, provided an update on recent federal and state legislation.

On the federal side, she said the House would be in recess until September 12 and the Senate would be in recess until September 5. She said the House only passed twelve of their appropriations bills. She said the Senate has not yet passed any appropriations bills. She said there is not a clear plan to get the bills over the finish line. She said a CR (continuing resolution) may be necessary if no bills are passed before the deadline of September 30.

On the state side, Ms. Epstein said that the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) is going to work on creating guidelines for the accountability and reporting components. She said that MTC (Metropolitan Transportation Commission) would be starting up a Transit Transformation task force, which will be broad spectrum and provide a holistic view of transportation statewide. She reviewed the bills that currently being watched.

#### **8.d.4. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 3:14 pm.

An audio/video recording of this meeting is available online at <https://www.samtrans.com/about-samtrans/video-board-directors-cac-and-measure-w-coc>. Questions may be referred to the District Secretary's office by phone at 650-508-6242 or by email to [board@samtrans.com](mailto:board@samtrans.com).